



**TOWN OF LOS GATOS  
PARKS COMMISSION MEETING  
MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2019  
WORCESTER PARK  
140 WORCESTER LOOP  
LOS GATOS, CA  
6:00 P.M.**

*Mike Buncic, Chair  
Chris Mullen, Vice-chair  
Brant Corenson, Commissioner  
James Godsey, Commissioner  
Sandy Gordon, Commissioner  
Matt Ober, Commissioner  
Caroline Zepecki, Youth Commissioner*

**5:45 P.M. – Tour of Worcester Park  
6:00 P.M. – Regular Meeting**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**CONSENT ITEMS (TO BE ACTED UPON BY A SINGLE MOTION)** *Items appearing on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and may be approved by one motion. Unless there are separate discussions and/or actions requested by the Commission, staff, or a member of the public, it is requested that items under the Consent Calendar be acted on simultaneously. Any member of the Commission or public may request to have an item removed from the Consent Calendar for comment and action.)*

1. Approve Minutes of the Parks Commission Meeting of April 1, 2019

**VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS** *(Members of the public are welcome to address the Commission on any matter that is not listed on the agenda. To ensure all agenda items are heard and unless additional time is authorized by the Chair, this portion of the agenda is limited to 30 minutes and no more than three (3) minutes per speaker. In the event additional speakers were not able to be heard during the initial Verbal Communications portion of the agenda, an additional Verbal Communications will be opened prior to adjournment.)*

**OTHER BUSINESS** *(Up to three minutes may be allotted to each speaker on any of the following items.)*

2. Review and make recommendations for Worcester Park infrastructure
3. Park Stewardship Program – Discuss the framework for a park stewardship program and finalize a list of questions for survey (Verbal Report)

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4. PPW Director's Report
  - A) General Plan Update – Review of the 2020 General Plan Document - Open Space, Parks, and Recreation Element (Verbal Report)
  - B) Park Operations (Verbal Report)
  - C) Capital Improvement Projects – FY 19/20 (Verbal Report)
  - D) Events (Verbal Report)
5. Youth Commission Report (Verbal Report)
6. Beautification Committee Liaison Report (Verbal Report)

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Next meeting scheduled – **August 5, 2019 – La Rinconada Park**

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**TOWN OF LOS GATOS  
PARKS COMMISSION REPORT**

MEETING DATE: 06/03/19

ITEM NO: 1

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**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARKS COMMISSION MEETING  
APRIL 1, 2019**

The Parks Commission of the Town of Los Gatos conducted a Regular Meeting on April 1, 2019, at 6:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Chair Buncic, Vice-chair Mullen, Commissioners Corenson, Gordon, and Ober.

Absent: Commissioner Godsey and Youth Commissioner Zepecki.

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

None.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

1. Approve Minutes of the Parks Commission Meeting of April 1, 2019.

**MOTION:** Motion by Chair Buncic to approve Consent Item 1.  
Seconded by Commissioner Mullen.

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

**VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None reported.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

2. Park Stewardship Program – Discuss the framework for a park stewardship program and finalize a list of questions for survey.

Commissioner Gordon verbally reported that she contacted Chris Cruz, West Valley's Park Management Instructor, and he is interested in pursuing an outreach program for the Town's Park Stewardship program. Commissioner Gordon will bring a recap with more information to the next Parks Commission meeting.

**OTHER BUSINESS (continued):**

The Commission collectively created and reviewed questions related to Worcester Park which will be used in a neighborhood survey, with the results to be brought back to the next commission meeting for discussion.

**3. PPW Director's Report**

**A) General Plan Update – Review of the 2020 General Plan Document - Open Space, Parks, and Recreation Element**

Steve Regan, Superintendent, provided an update on this item.

**B) Park Operations**

**i) Receive a Report on the Pickleball 6-month Pilot Program**

Steve Regan, Superintendent, provided an update on the success of the Pickleball pilot program at LaRinconada park and recommended moving forward with programming the courts for pickleball use under the guidance of Los Gatos-Saratoga Recreation two days a week.

The Commission discussed.

**MOTION:**      **Motion** by Chair Buncic to support the use of the pickleball courts for programming by Los Gatos-Saratoga Recreation (LGSR) two days a week, which will be either Monday and Tuesday or Wednesday and Thursday, to be determined by LGSR.  
**Seconded** by Commissioner Gordon.

**VOTE:**        **Motion passed unanimously.**

Steve Regan will invite Todd Badger from LGSR to the next Parks Commission meeting to provide an update on the Pickleball program.

**C) Capital Improvement Projects – FY 19/20**

Steve Regan, Superintendent, provided an update on this item.

**D) Events**

**i) Spring into Green/Keep Los Gatos Beautiful Month**

Marina Chislett, Environmental Programs Specialist, provided an update on these items.

**OTHER BUSINESS (continued):**

4. Youth Commission Report

None reported.

5. Beautification Committee Liaison Report

**Commissioner Corenson** provided an update on the daffodil bulb planting that took place in Oak Meadow Park which is in full bloom.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the February 4, 2019 meeting as approved by the Parks Commission.

/s/Matt Morley, Director of Parks and Public Works



**TOWN OF LOS GATOS**  
**PARKS COMMISSION REPORT**

MEETING DATE: 06/03/2019

ITEM NO: 2

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DATE: MAY 29, 2019  
TO: PARKS COMMISSION  
FROM: MATT MORLEY, DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND PUBLIC WORKS  
SUBJECT: REVIEW AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WORCESTER PARK  
INFRASTRUCTURE

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Review and make recommendations for Worcester Park infrastructure.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Parks Commission acts in an advisory role to the Town Council. One of the main responsibilities for the commission is to understand the needs of the community, often weighing competing preferences. The gathering of information and the opportunity for residents to provide insight is a key part of the role. Commission meetings are set up to allow for this public input.

At the February 4, 2019 Parks Commission meeting the commission heard oral communication requesting a playground structure at the park. The commission chose to meet at the park for its June meeting and to discuss the park as an agenda item at that time. The commission also asked for a survey to further understand the desires of the community.

**DISCUSSION:**

Staff has attached the survey results (Attachment 1) as well as the public comment received (Attachment 2). Staff anticipates a number of residents will attend the meeting to provide input to the commission at the June 3 meeting.

The commission has a number of options following the hearing of public testimony. A couple of options are listed here for consideration.

**PREPARED BY:** MATT MORLEY  
PARKS AND PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: REVIEW AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WORCESTER PARK  
INFRASTRUCTURE

MAY 29, 2019

DISCUSSION (continued):

1. Recommend that the Town Council program the installation of a playground or other infrastructure at the park, providing details on the recommended type, size, and location.
2. Recommend that the Town Council leave the park as is, with no infrastructure changes.
3. Make no recommendation.

Should the commission make a recommendation that would lead to capital expenditure, staff would program that request for the next opportunity in February 2020 through the regular Capital Improvement Program Budgeting process. The Town Council would hear the recommendation and make the funding decision then.

CONCLUSION:

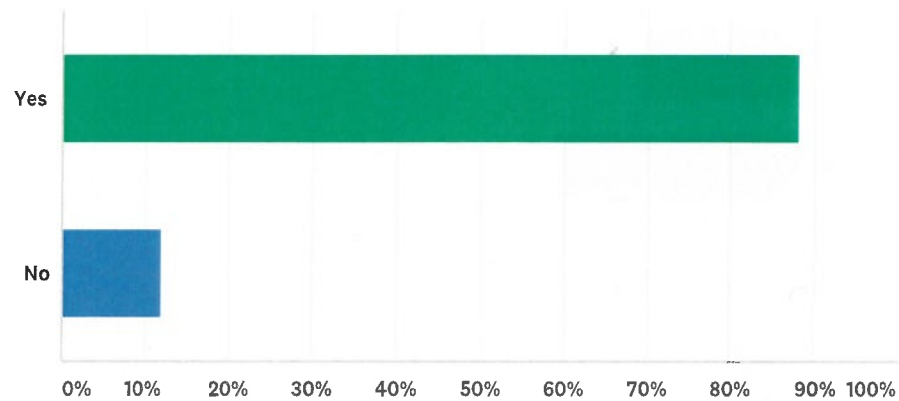
The Parks Commission should consider the public comment received and attached as well as any speakers present in deliberations on this item.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Worcester Park survey results
2. Public comment received as of May 29, 2019 - 11:00 a.m.

Q1 Are you aware of Worcester Park in Los Gatos?

Answered: 59    Skipped: 0

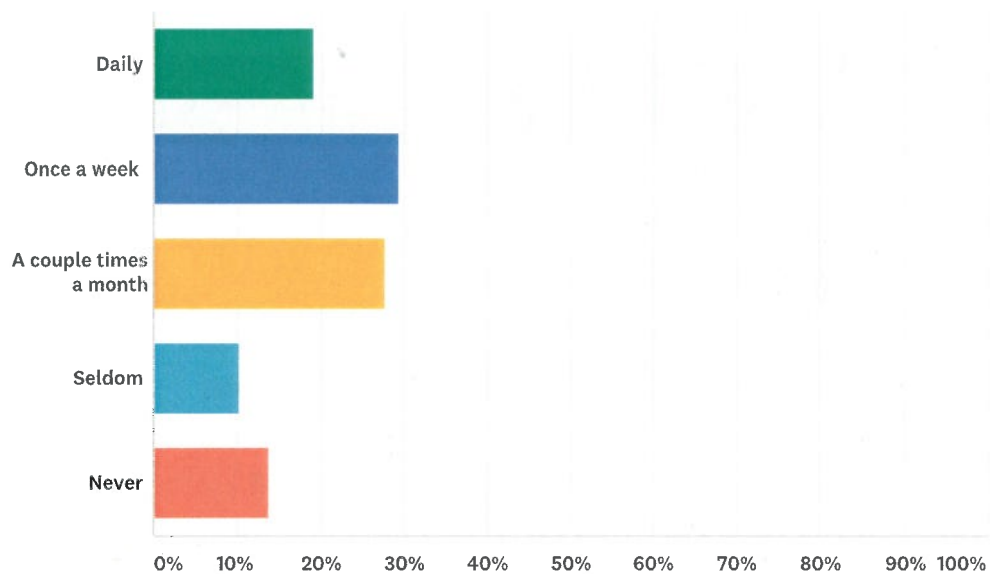


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	88.14%	52
No	11.86%	7
TOTAL		59



## Q2 How often do you visit Worcester Park?

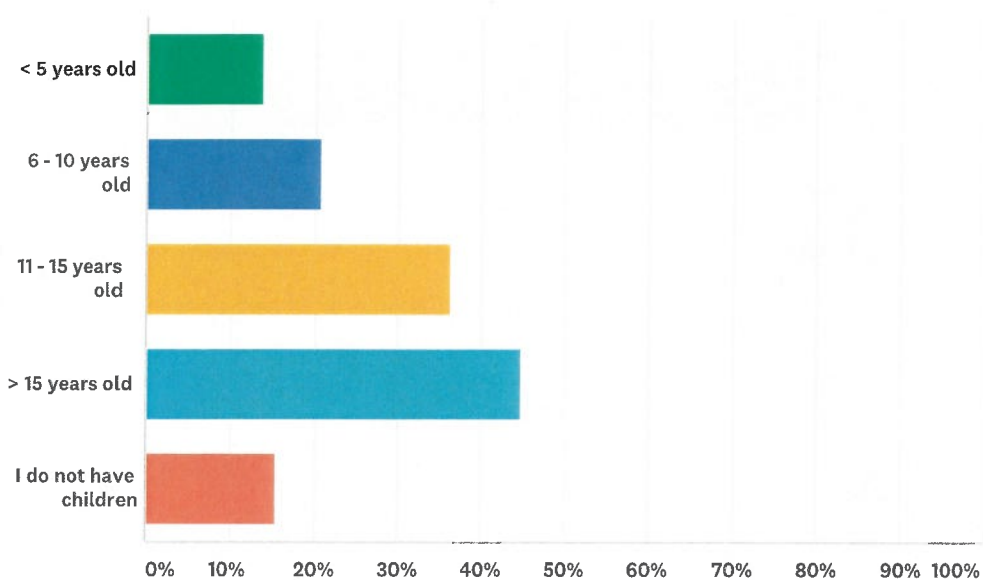
Answered: 58 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	18.97%	11
Once a week	29.31%	17
A couple times a month	27.59%	16
Seldom	10.34%	6
Never	13.79%	8
TOTAL		58

## Q3 Do you have children? (select all that apply)

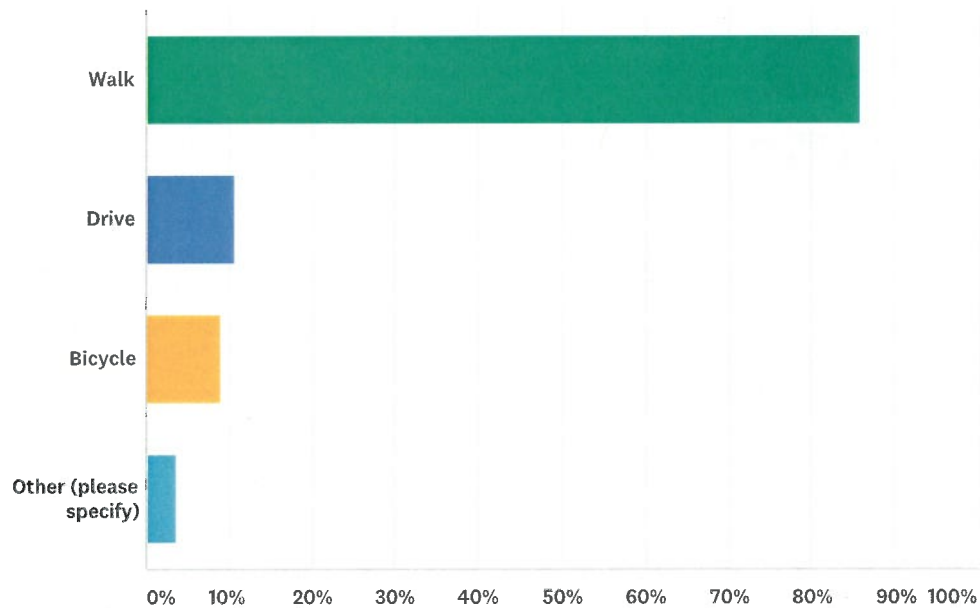
Answered: 58 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
< 5 years old	13.79%	8
6 - 10 years old	20.69%	12
11 - 15 years old	36.21%	21
> 15 years old	44.83%	26
I do not have children	15.52%	9
Total Respondents: 58		

## Q4 How do you get to Worcester Park? (select all that apply)

Answered: 56 Skipped: 3

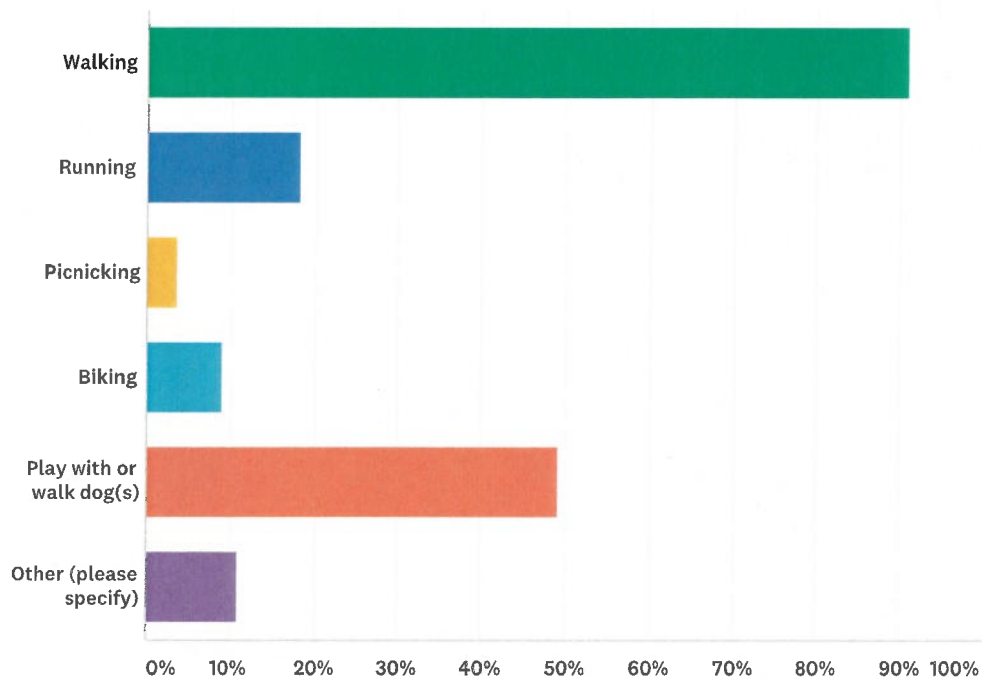


ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Walk		85.71%	48
Drive		10.71%	6
Bicycle		8.93%	5
Other (please specify)		3.57%	2
Total Respondents: 56			

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Never been	5/24/2019 9:56 PM
2	I just found out about it! Thank you!	5/1/2019 1:54 PM

## Q5 What activities do you engage in while there? (select all that apply)

Answered: 55 Skipped: 4

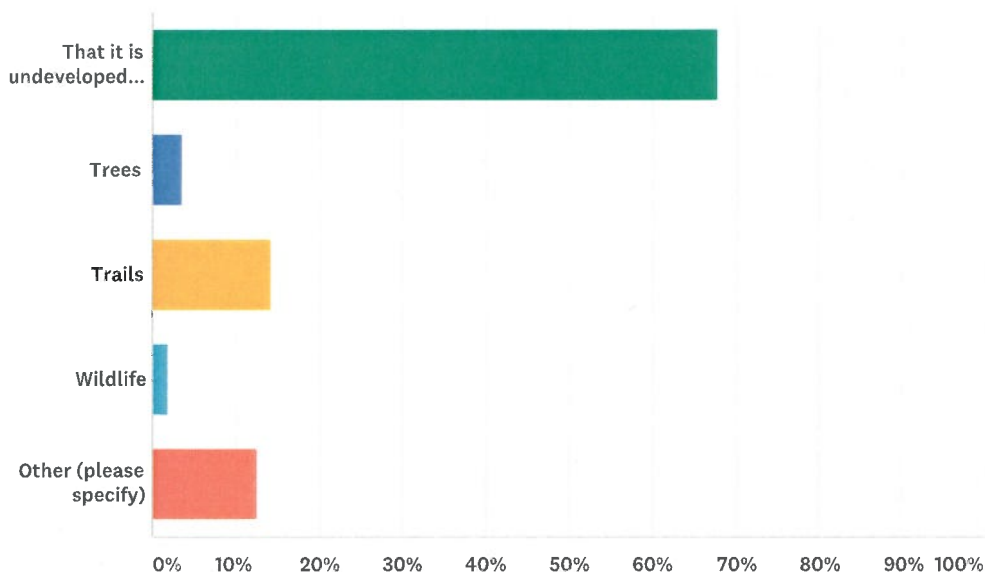


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walking	90.91%	50
Running	18.18%	10
Picnicking	3.64%	2
Biking	9.09%	5
Play with or walk dog(s)	49.09%	27
Other (please specify)	10.91%	6
Total Respondents: 55		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Na	5/24/2019 9:56 PM
2	Quiet sitting on bench, reading	5/3/2019 9:19 AM
3	Place to sit quietly and reflect/thnk have a quiet chat with someone. My teenager will walk and talk as it feels private. No where else like it in LG	5/1/2019 9:44 PM
4	Photography	5/1/2019 9:16 PM
5	None: it's right by my house and it's a known teenage drug hangout. They go there at lunch and smoke pot. Afternoons too. It's awful.	5/1/2019 9:14 PM
6	We have a bench there	5/1/2019 6:44 PM

## Q6 What do you like most about this park? (select all that apply)

Answered: 56 Skipped: 3



### ANSWER CHOICES

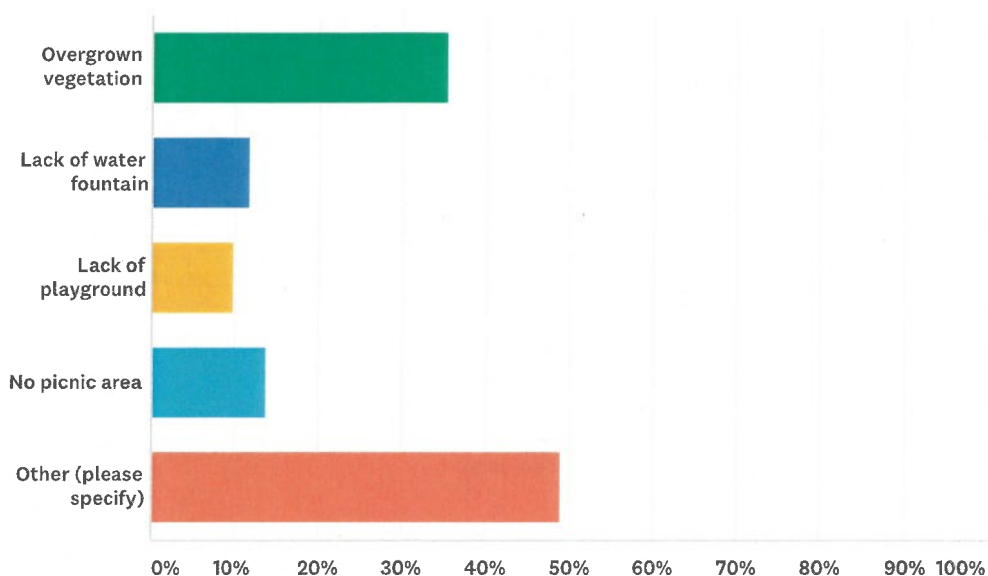
### RESPONSES

That it is undeveloped (natural)	67.86%	38
Trees	3.57%	2
Trails	14.29%	8
Wildlife	1.79%	1
Other (please specify)	12.50%	7
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>56</b>

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	NA	5/24/2019 9:56 PM
2	It's in my backyard, so it is convenient	5/23/2019 4:59 PM
3	Natural Beauty	5/2/2019 3:51 PM
4	You can't select all (but i select ALL) I enjoy it untouched, trees, trails, wildlife.	5/1/2019 2:00 PM
5	Haven't been there but will go there now for the tees and trails	5/1/2019 1:54 PM
6	Location	5/1/2019 1:10 PM
7	All of the above	5/1/2019 11:52 AM

## Q7 What do you NOT like most about this park? (select all that apply)

Answered: 51 Skipped: 8



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Overgrown vegetation	35.29%	18
Lack of water fountain	11.76%	6
Lack of playground	9.80%	5
No picnic area	13.73%	7
Other (please specify)	49.02%	25
Total Respondents: 51		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	NA	5/24/2019 9:56 PM
2	like it as it is	5/23/2019 8:05 PM
3	When my children were younger, I thought the flat terrain close to the sidewalk would have been ideal for a small neighborhood playground and picnic area.	5/22/2019 4:43 PM
4	I like it left natural	5/17/2019 4:53 PM
5	Dead trees that should be removed	5/13/2019 12:08 PM
6	Nothing...perfect as it is...it is limited treasure in our area to have a natural wooded area	5/7/2019 5:56 PM
7	I like this park. Maintaining low fuel for fire hazard is important	5/3/2019 9:19 AM
8	whats not to like?	5/2/2019 3:57 PM
9	I love it the way it is	5/2/2019 3:51 PM
10	This is an unofficial dog park. I do not agree with letting dogs do their business everywhere and letting dogs off leash.	5/2/2019 1:07 PM
11	Would be nice to have a small area for children, but only near Worcester Loop where it would be easily for safety of the children.	5/1/2019 10:52 PM

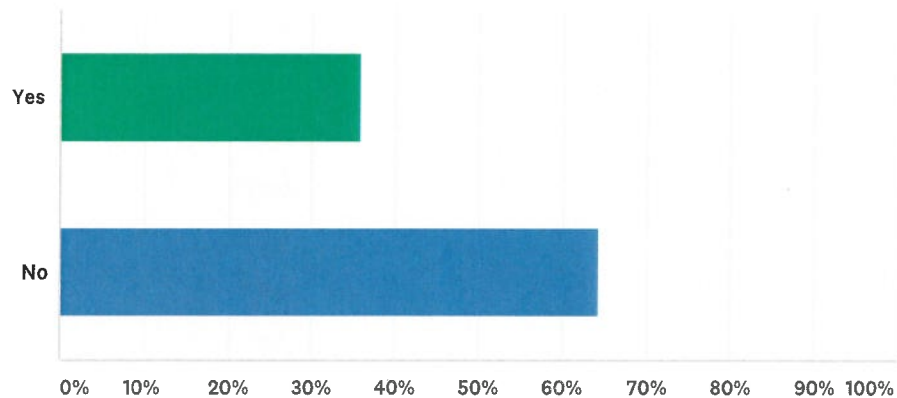
# Worcester Park Questionnaire

SurveyMonkey

12	People who let the dogs off leash and don't pick up after them.	5/1/2019 9:44 PM
13	Some dead trees need to be removed	5/1/2019 9:16 PM
14	nothing like it plain	5/1/2019 7:17 PM
15	Love the park as it is so far	5/1/2019 6:44 PM
16	It could use something to add focus - could just be info about plants & birds/animals	5/1/2019 5:48 PM
17	Please just trim the overgrown vegetation	5/1/2019 4:51 PM
18	Even a bench would be nice. There's no good spot to simply sit and enjoy the natural surroundings.	5/1/2019 2:33 PM
19	it needs to be maintained (trees trimmed, brush removed)	5/1/2019 2:00 PM
20	Love it	5/1/2019 1:58 PM
21	While I appreciate nature, there is a lot of dead brush/debris. There also seems to be a lot of litter and trash that is either left, or blown into the park.	5/1/2019 1:10 PM
22	It sometimes appears as if it is being ignored because it is a hiding gem for our community	5/1/2019 12:30 PM
23	Limited parking	5/1/2019 11:58 AM
24	It's perfect as it is. I like the benches and easy access from 3 neighborhoods. I guess a water fountain would be nice but it's close to home so not necessary.	5/1/2019 11:41 AM
25	dry vegetation- fire hazard!!	5/1/2019 11:38 AM

**Q8 Volunteer Parks Stewards watch over the park, provide some light maintenance, identify needs through interaction with park users, notify the Town of issues, and more. Would you be interested in volunteering as a steward of Worcester Park?**

Answered: 56 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	35.71%	20
No	64.29%	36
TOTAL		56



## Q9 If you would like to be a Park Steward, please provide your name and email so we can contact you about park steward opportunities.

Answered: 2 Skipped: 57

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Name	100.00%	2
Company	0.00%	0
Address	0.00%	0
Address 2	0.00%	0
City/Town	0.00%	0
State/Province	0.00%	0
ZIP/Postal Code	0.00%	0
Country	0.00%	0
Email Address	100.00%	2
Phone Number	0.00%	0

#	NAME	DATE
1	Michael Young	5/24/2019 10:55 AM
2	Jon Weygandt	5/23/2019 4:59 PM
#	COMPANY	DATE
	There are no responses.	
#	ADDRESS	DATE
	There are no responses.	
#	ADDRESS 2	DATE
	There are no responses.	
#	CITY/TOWN	DATE
	There are no responses.	
#	STATE/PROVINCE	DATE
	There are no responses.	
#	ZIP/POSTAL CODE	DATE
	There are no responses.	
#	COUNTRY	DATE
	There are no responses.	
#	EMAIL ADDRESS	DATE
1	Michael@urbantreemanagement.com	5/24/2019 10:55 AM
2	jon.veygandt@gmail.com	5/23/2019 4:59 PM
#	PHONE NUMBER	DATE
	There are no responses.	

## Q10 Is there anything else the Town should know about Worcester Park?

Answered: 35 Skipped: 24

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	This park is a known fire hazard due to the dead wood in the trees and high weed and brush that is not tended. Please make it less of a fire hazard.	5/24/2019 10:55 AM
2	It is an asset to the community just as it is. No changes needed.	5/23/2019 8:05 PM
3	Although I would prefer natural instead of paved trails, I appreciate this lovely oasis in our neighborhood. Thank you.	5/22/2019 4:43 PM
4	There are parks good for playground equipment, but Worcester should be left natural	5/17/2019 4:53 PM
5	Not at this time	5/13/2019 12:08 PM
6	I understand there is interest in developing the park which our family is against. This park is a tranquil natural open space that is too rare in Los Gatos. While there are many playgrounds, there is only one Worcester!! Thank you for protecting the intended vision of the park.	5/7/2019 5:56 PM
7	Currently some red graffiti on the brown fence at the entrance onto Worcester circle	5/5/2019 9:16 PM
8	Please keep this neighborhood park available for walking and quiet time. Lack of parking and it's hillside nature make this problematic for any development	5/3/2019 9:19 AM
9	its nice the way it is.	5/2/2019 3:57 PM
10	It should remain a park for all with its natural setting	5/2/2019 3:51 PM
11	In it's current state it is a fire hazard. Clean up is necessary. Signs should be posted that this is not an off leash dog park. One is not enough.	5/2/2019 1:07 PM
12	This is an amazing natural playground where local families can be in nature as it is supposed to be. Our children use their imaginations here to play, explore and enjoy the outdoors. Developing the space would limit their imagination. We have plenty of parks in the neighborhood which are great. Please leave this space as a nature preserve with all its great wildlife and adventures!	5/2/2019 9:15 AM
13	It is a little gem and probably cannot withstand a lot of traffic as it's beauty is related to its very natural state.	5/1/2019 10:52 PM
14	As a nearby neighbor, I would love to see clearing of the dried, dead brush that is most likely a fire hazard. But love that our wildlife has a place to go.	5/1/2019 10:12 PM
15	It is home to many animals. It is a natural park which does not need a playground. Kids need to know what nature looks like and animals need somewhere to call home. It is wonderful to sit in the early evenings of summer and listen and look. It should remain a natural park for the community. Blossom hill is not far away and is well manicured otherwise you will have trash and people in cars and fear of the coyote and young children. Leave it as is.	5/1/2019 9:44 PM
16	This is such a peaceful area, close-by...truly a hidden gem. I rarely encounter people and when I do, they are mostly neighbors and friends. I like the peacefulness of it, it's also gives me a great walking work-out with the little hills. Other than yearly clean-up, please don't change it.	5/1/2019 9:16 PM
17	It is a known drug hang out. When families avoid an area, the bad kids figure it out and populate. It is such a beautiful little spot of green. It's the perfect spot to put a small handicapped accessible play structure. A flat mowed area to kick a ball around. There are so many families in this neighborhood, and zero playgrounds walking distance from our homes. A small play structure would not encourage out of the area visitors- they will drive to bigger playgrounds like blossom hill and oak meadow. This would cater to those that live in the immediate neighborhood. And it would help to deter the riff-raff. The town has made it their mission to evolve and think outside the box. Don't be old and crotchety like Saratoga. All those grumpy, legacy families hate change. But Los Gatos must keep with the times. Young families invest in this community. Help to keep it thriving.	5/1/2019 9:14 PM
18	It's a hidden treasure in an otherwise developed neighborhood. Such a treat for those that visit.	5/1/2019 8:59 PM
19	??	5/1/2019 8:38 PM

# Worcester Park Questionnaire

SurveyMonkey

20	The park could be a fire hazard. The trees shove trimmed and the dead branches removed	5/1/2019 7:38 PM
21	I enjoy seeing the wild life there. Deer, rabbits, hawks, coyote. Its the only place we can go that its peaceful and quiet!	5/1/2019 7:17 PM
22	Pls do not develop this park. We need to preserve wildlife and the narrow streets doesn't support anything else. thank ou	5/1/2019 7:12 PM
23	(No on 8 was a "not at this time but maybe someday".)	5/1/2019 5:48 PM
24	LEAVE IT NATURAL!!!!	5/1/2019 4:51 PM
25	No	5/1/2019 2:55 PM
26	The park could do with occasional clear up of waste - broken glass etc. And new fire road gates, they currently make the place look abandoned & uncared for, which it very much isn't! We enjoy it because it is natural, peaceful & safe, doesn't have a playground, hordes of people nor loads of cars..... it's a rare gem.	5/1/2019 2:30 PM
27	This is a park on a one way street, most people visiting the park, walk since there is no parking. Its one area of Los Gatos that you can be at peace and really enjoy the nature and trees (and be outside). This park is close to other parks that have play grounds or a school. Its nice to see a park be just a park, not a place of chaos. Most parks have plastic kid play ground set and makes it look tacky. My kids enjoy just walking through	5/1/2019 2:00 PM
28	It's a peaceful place	5/1/2019 1:58 PM
29	I will be going to it now that I know about it!	5/1/2019 1:54 PM
30	I have heard there is a discussion about changing this park to include a playground. Please do NOT move in that direction. This is a wonderful park because of it's "natural" state. There isn't another park close by that has this. This attracts many dog walkers, nature walkers, hikers. I even met a woman on a mushroom hunt. This is such an attractive park as is and gives that connection to natural space that kids and adults alike benefit from having. Thanks for considering my comments.	5/1/2019 1:29 PM
31	I know there are discussions about play structures and this seems to be a very polarizing topic. I think there can be a "middle ground". I come from an area where neighborhood parks are the norm, and kids walk and use their neighborhood parks. Parks shouldn't only be accessible by car, or with an adult. I think there are ways to build more "natural" play structures that fit within the environment of the park. Instead of a typical brightly colored play structure, you can have a log see-saw, and a rope climbing ladder.	5/1/2019 1:10 PM
32	Please keep this as an open space as is.	5/1/2019 11:58 AM
33	We love to walk there.	5/1/2019 11:41 AM
34	It is a beautiful respite from all the congestion in and around town	5/1/2019 11:41 AM
35	it's a treasure to those who live nearby. it would be a shame to develop it one of the few natural green areas we have, not to mention parking and traffic on Worcester Loop would be horrible for local residents.	5/1/2019 11:38 AM

From: Hal Huntley  
To: Matt Morley  
Cc: hal649@comcast.net  
Subject: Worcester Park Development  
Date: Thursday, May 23, 2019 8:49:28 PM

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Mr. Morley,

My name is Hal Huntley and I live at 237 Vista Del Monte in Los Gatos. I just received a "Fight Worcester Park Development" flyer with a meeting on June 3, 2019, at 6PM. I won't be able to make that meeting, but I would like to ask a question and share some thoughts.

I have lived at this residence since 1982 and get over to Worcester Park fairly regularly. My question is what kind of development is planned for the park? If it's a rest room and some 'spiffing up', I think that is a very good idea. If a kids play area is anticipated, I'm not so sure it would be used very much. I googled "Los Gatos Worcester park development proposal", and clicked on the <https://gcc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=www.losgatosca.gov&data=01%7C01%7Cmmorley%40losgatosca.gov%7C946a388f44fe4e0075b508d6dffad075%7C6d38cb6747eb4d1link>. I

didn't see on the proposals map anything related to Worcester Park.

It is an old park and it does provide a path area to walk and enjoy some small open space. However, based on some of my observations, it is a park where the local kids can go and drink a beer and perhaps smoke some cigarettes and marijuana -- I have seen proof of those activities at various times -- mostly just the empty beer can/bottles thrown on the ground. There are some old numbered signs that were placed quite a while ago that were meant to refer to some document that indicated what the plant near that number was; such info is not posted near an entrance to the park to refer to. So, generally, I think the park could stand some development.

The brochure has two points highlighted - 'Increase Unwanted Traffic and Hazards for Kids Playing in the Area' and - 'Destroy One of the Last Remaining Natural Habitats'.

When people get up to speak and say their address, I will pretty much bet that those who don't want "development" are those parents living on Worcester Loop who have basketball hoops in the street. Yes, there are quite a few kids playing in the area, but when I see them, they are around their house in the evening. My guess those are the NIMBY parents who just like living next to a nice park area that won't get used much and thus their precious property values will change if someone actually uses the park. I don't agree with that mind set.

As to the destroying of the last remaining natural habitats -- well, that is why I ask what kind of development is planned. Is the proposed development to wipe out the park and put multi-million dollar homes in there? We certainly don't need that and then I agree with those who are against the development. (However I have spoken to one person who thinks that is just what needs to be done with the park.) If it is to add some amenities so others in Los Gatos can come to the park and enjoy it more, then I am in favor of it; there would not be an overwhelming amount of traffic increase to cause any danger to the families living nearby.

You may have some web links about the plans and I would appreciate knowing so I can further evaluate them. If there are other information sources, it would be good to be able to know of them to help me further understand the issues.

Regards,

Hal Huntley  
237 Vista Del Monte  
Los Gatos, CA 95030

**From:** [fmb409](#)  
**To:** [Matt Morley](#)  
**Subject:** Worchester Park Development  
**Date:** Thursday, May 23, 2019 2:34:06 PM

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Dear Matt,

We were glad to get the information regarding the possible development of the park. We live just down the hill from the park and enjoy walking through it a couple times a year. My husband and I are strongly opposed to any development to the park. We enjoy it's natural beauty and am sure the wildlife feel the same.

We have owned our home and lived on this street for 42 years. We know the neighborhood intimately and enjoy living here.

We can not make the meeting as we will be out of town but would like to weigh in with our definite NO on any development.

We would like to have any information regarding how the June 3rd meeting goes.

Sincerely,

Doug and Karen Neale

129 Whitney Ave,

Los Gatos, Ca 95030

Doug: [dneale50@gmail.com](mailto:dneale50@gmail.com)

Karen: [kneale53@gmail.com](mailto:kneale53@gmail.com)

**From:** [Jon Weygandt](#)  
**To:** [Matt Morley](#)  
**Subject:** What is planned for Worcester Park?  
**Date:** Thursday, May 23, 2019 12:01:40 PM

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Mr. Morley,

I received a flyer mentioning development plans for Worcester Park, and as a homeowner adjacent to the park it is of interest to me. So the obvious question is, what is being planned for Worcester Park in terms of development?

The advertised meeting, June 3 @6:00pm - is that an official LG Park and Rec Meeting? and the location is outdoors, at the park itself?

Thanks,  
Jon Weygandt  
205 Hollywood Ave  
Los Gatos

**From:** W Stephen Sullins  
**To:** Matt Morley  
**Cc:** Amanda J. Champion  
**Subject:** Worcester Park  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 22, 2019 7:33:12 PM

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Hi Matt

I am going to try to make the June 3 meeting but wanted to reach out in the event I cannot make it.

We are firmly opposed to any development in Worcester Park.

We use the park with our family and dog occasionally and also moved into the area and live here because of the wildlife buffer. Development of Worcester Park would be a horrible loss to the community and terrible from an environmental and ecological standpoint. Let's stop paving over the green space in our town, this is a terrible development in our town.

Thanks for reading and taking our point of view into consideration.

Steve and Amanda Sullins  
17055 Los Robles Way



**From:** [Nancy Small](#)  
**To:** [Matt Morley](#)  
**Subject:** Worcester park  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 22, 2019 5:45:29 PM

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I am respectfully expressing my concern about any considered plans to develop Worcester park. Access to this park is at best limited and I fear that traffic will increase on our small one way loop. As it is, when anyone holds a garage sale, people tend to ignore the one way signs and they create a dangerous condition for the children who tend to play in the street.

In addition, this is a natural habitat that I would like to see preserved. There has been so much development in town and I fear that this beautiful little nature area will be destroyed as part of the push to develop any free standing land. Please protect the wildlife and other nature in the park by not pushing forward with any development. There is no real need for new play areas. We have Bachman park, Vasona and Oak Meadow parks, the park behind blossom hill school as well as the playgrounds to all of the elementary schools available on weekends and over the summer.

Many people belong to fitness clubs with pools and perhaps play areas.

Thank you for your consideration

Nancy Small

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Nancy Small  
**To:** Matt Morley  
**Subject:** Play structure in Worcester park  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 22, 2019 5:45:23 PM

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Attn: Mr. Matt Morley

I join with others in this neighborhood in opposing a play structure in Worcester park. It is a natural area with small trails that people can walk on but which houses a lot of wildlife and flora. It is also located on a small, local and quiet street with one way direction around a loop. Our children play on this street and we who live here know to drive slowly around it so as not to hurt anyone. It would create hardship for the residents if traffic would increase. There are many other larger park areas with less wild life and which have already been built up for the purpose of leisure activity. I respectfully ask that you please agree not to disturb this natural area.

Thank you

Nancy Small

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Mark Richards](#)  
**To:** [Matt Morley](#)  
**Subject:** Favor the Worcester Park playground  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 21, 2019 4:57:41 PM

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Hi Matt,

We live in the neighborhood on Vista Del Mar, and think a kids playground of appropriate size and location could be a great addition to Worcester Park and the neighborhood.

Best regards,  
Mark Richards

Sent from my mobile.

**From:** [Jeff Okubo](#)  
**To:** [Matt Morley](#)  
**Subject:** Keep Worcester Park The Way It Is  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 21, 2019 4:40:48 PM

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Hi Matt,

I'm writing you to voice my opinion that Worcester Park be left as it is -- a beautiful natural setting.

Thanks!

Jeff Okubo  
Fillmer Avenue

**From:** Paul McEllin  
**To:** Matt Morley  
**Subject:** Worcester Park  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 21, 2019 3:55:32 PM

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Hello Matt

Just received your leaflet on proposed development at the above location. Is it correct it is the same park off Stacia Street and is if so, is the whole park in jeopardy of development

Also were is the actual meeting taking place on 3rd June? Is it the park itself?

Wait to hear  
Lorraine McEllin

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Barbara Junge](#)  
**To:** [Matt Morley](#)  
**Subject:** Worcester Park  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 21, 2019 12:28:27 PM

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We have lived a few steps from the park for over 30 years. Please let's keep it a natural refuge in our over-citified world. The animals who live there want it as it is . It is their home too.

Barbara Junge  
Vista del Prado

**From:** Terry Rinehart  
**To:** Matt Morley  
**Subject:** Worcester Park  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 21, 2019 11:45:49 AM

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Hi Matt,

I wanted to thank you again for having the meeting about Worcester Park on June 3rd. I assume that you will be inundated with people that would like to speak with you so I just wanted to put some of my thought down in writing for you.

We have lived next to Worcester Park for over 40 years and we love the fact that it is the only truly natural habitat in Los Gatos. We love that deer and coyotes come around and that we can walk through the park and see what Los Gatos was like before all the development. I would like to see the park stay natural and not put in any play equipment. At all the entrances to the park we have very limited parking. Worcester Loop is a one way street with very little parking. All the other entrances have virtually NO parking.

In the past the trails had markings with numbers by the trees and a pamphlet to tell visitors about the trees and the park. I even remember the school kids having field trips to the park to learn about nature. I think at times the Park Ranger would even be available to talk with the school kids. I think this part of the park could be revitalized and used as a learning experience for everyone that came to the park.

Again, thanks to you and the town for taking the time to listen to the people that live here before any decisions are made. I really appreciate everything you are doing for this town and time you are taking to listen to the input. I hope everyone that shows up for the meeting shows you the respect that you deserve and that they don't attack the messenger! Please know that there are people who appreciate what you do!

Terry Rinehart  
110 Worcester Loop  
Los Gatos  
(408) 395-2248

**From:** [m.markowski@verizon.net](mailto:m.markowski@verizon.net)  
**To:** [Matt Morley](#)  
**Subject:** Worcester Park  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 21, 2019 11:01:36 AM

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Hi Matt,

> My concern is whether a playground is a good investment for the town? I would assume the only area that would be developed would be the flat area near the street. I would also assume it would get little use outside of the neighborhood as there is not much space and going off trail would expose people to ticks. Not really a draw for mothers so under that scenario traffic concerns would be minimal. A larger playground with a grass perimeter would be more inviting and provide some Protection from ticks,  
> but more expensive and watering poses other issues.

That neighborhood is very suspicious of outsiders because it is a loop and they think they own the whole thing. It's irritating. So the playground would be fun from a certain point of view.

Good luck!

Melanie Markowski  
191 Vista del Monte

Sent from my iPhone



**From:** [Matt Morley](#)  
**To:** [Alicia Shah](#); [Monica Goodstein](#)  
**Subject:** RE: June 3 Agenda Item  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 21, 2019 7:48:00 AM

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Alicia

Thank you for reaching out. The Commission will have an item on the agenda specifically about Worcester Park and will be able to discuss it. Based on the emails I have received, I expect a large turnout for this item. Residents will be allowed a period of time to address the Commission, usually three minutes. We'll be able to provide instructions on that at the meeting.

I look forward to seeing you on June 3.

**Matt Morley • Director**

Parks and Public Works • 41 Miles Ave, Los Gatos CA 95030

Ph: 408.399.5774

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**From:** Alicia Shah <[alicia.frostick@gmail.com](mailto:alicia.frostick@gmail.com)>

**Sent:** Monday, May 20, 2019 9:29 PM

**To:** Monica Goodstein <[monicaey@gmail.com](mailto:monicaey@gmail.com)>; Matt Morley <[MMorley@losgatosca.gov](mailto:MMorley@losgatosca.gov)>

**Subject:** June 3 Agenda Item

Matt,

You may recall we met in February when a fellow neighbor and I attended a Park Commission meeting to discuss Worcester Park. I appreciate that the Park Commission is holding its June meeting in Worcester Park. I realize you have quite a bit to cover in these meetings but, if there is time, I would be interested to attend your June meeting and show you generally the flat spot of Worcester where natural play equipment for kids might go (the spot that wouldn't require any land to be moved to trees to be disturbed by the play) and brainstorm (more easily, since you will be on site) some thoughts around improvement. Could I be added to the agenda?

Thanks,

Alicia Shah

**From:** [Alicia Shah](#)  
**To:** [Matt Morley](#)  
**Subject:** Also, a question  
**Date:** Monday, May 20, 2019 9:41:42 PM

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Hey Matt,

I apologize for the serial emails. One more favor (that is, if your memory is any better than mine). I'm wondering if you remember the name of the other member of the public who attended the meeting. He was a track coach, I recall, and he was attending to fulfill some sort of requirement.

After the meeting he came up to me and said he also lived near Worcester park and thought my idea to improve the park was a good one. He briefly mentioned improvements would make it so local runners could enjoy the park too. I thought I might write to him to gather his ideas but I can't find his name on the agenda. Any chance you know his name?

Thanks,  
Alicia

**From:** Pat Heller  
**To:** Matt Morley  
**Subject:** Worcester Park Development  
**Date:** Monday, May 20, 2019 4:42:58 PM

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PLEASE STOP ANY DEVELOPMENT of Worcester Park. I have lived nearby for over 30 years and value this serene and lovely park.

PLEASE do not allow this natural setting to be destroyed.

Thank you,  
Pat Heller

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Alayna Aghazarian](#)  
**To:** [Matt Morley](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Worcester Park  
**Date:** Monday, May 20, 2019 3:28:18 PM

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Hi Matt -

I am unable to attend the meeting at 6pm. Thank you for letting me know that this is a conversation vs a development plan.

Thank you for forwarding my comments to the Parks Commission. I'd like them to know how beautiful I think the park is currently and that I'd like it to stay as is.

Many Thanks,  
Alayna

Sent from my iPhone

> On May 20, 2019, at 3:16 PM, Matt Morley <[MMorley@losgatosca.gov](mailto:MMorley@losgatosca.gov)> wrote:

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> Thank you for your email.

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> To say that this park is being considered for development is an overstatement, this is really just a conversation brought on by several residents who had suggested to the Town's Parks Commission that a playground at this park might benefit the neighborhood. The Parks Commission asked for more information about this and scheduled a meeting at the park to ensure they receive input from all interested Town residents. That meeting will occur on June 3 at 6:00 pm. Please feel free to attend. There is currently no funding or project under consideration for Worcester Park by the Town.

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> I will make sure the Parks Commission receives a copy of your email in advance of the meeting.

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Alayna Aghazarian <[alayna@me.com](mailto:alayna@me.com)>

> Sent: Monday, May 20, 2019 2:07 PM

> To: Matt Morley <[MMorley@losgatosca.gov](mailto:MMorley@losgatosca.gov)>

> Cc: Alayna Aghazarian <[alayna@me.com](mailto:alayna@me.com)>

> Subject: Worcester Park

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> Hi Matt -

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> I'd like to know why Worcester Park is being considered for development? It is the only park in Los Gatos that is still undeveloped. I walk to this park on a daily basis and consider it a healthy benefit to Los Gatos. I meet so many people on the trails. It is of such value to all of us to have exposure to a natural space so close to our homes. This is the ONLY neighborhood undeveloped, natural park in our area. Why would you consider removing the only one?

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> If you review the other parks in town you will see they have all been developed:

> Town Plaza

> Bachman

> Everything Vasona/Oak Meadow

> Blossom Hill

> Live Oak Manor

> Belgatos (there are some trails behind this park, but even that has construction currently

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> If you compare the space given to developed parks vs Worcester Park, it is so obvious that we need to keep this park intact as it currently stands. If this space becomes developed, you will remove the last undeveloped space in Los Gatos. Please let me understand why this park is being considered for development?

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> Thank you for considering my remarks and I would appreciate information.

> Alayna Aghazarian

> 123 Vista Del Monte

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**From:** Terry  
**To:** Matt Morley  
**Subject:** Re: Worcester Park Meeting  
**Date:** Friday, May 17, 2019 6:24:34 PM

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Thanks so much Matt!  
Terry

Sent from my iPhone

On May 17, 2019, at 4:03 PM, Matt Morley <[MMorley@losgatosca.gov](mailto:MMorley@losgatosca.gov)> wrote:

You are correct – time, date, and location. I hope to see you there.

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**From:** Terry Rinehart <[trinehart76@gmail.com](mailto:trinehart76@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 17, 2019 4:02 PM  
**To:** Matt Morley <[MMorley@losgatosca.gov](mailto:MMorley@losgatosca.gov)>  
**Subject:** Worcester Park Meeting

Hi Matt,

I just wanted to confirm that the meeting about Worcester Park will be held **AT**  
Worcester Park at 6pm on June 3?

Thank you for holding a meeting about our concerns,

Regards,

Terry Rinehart  
110 Worcester Loop  
[tlrinehart@comcast.net](mailto:tlrinehart@comcast.net)

**From:** Nazzi Shishido  
**To:** Matt Morley  
**Cc:** Hiroshi Shishido; Terry & Bob Rinehart; Judy Mc Cool; Laurel Prevetti; Marcia Jensen; Rob Rennie; Marico Sayoc; B.Spector; Steven Leonardis  
**Subject:** Re: Worcester Park (Urgent)  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 7, 2019 4:20:20 PM

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Matt,

I copied everyone so everyone is on the same page. First and foremost and if anyone on this email from town disagree, please speak up. I am going to hold the town responsible for not notifying us on issues that effect our property. You need to notify homeowners which is effected by any issues you, the town is discussing. This is our rights as home owners and the town responsibility. I do not have the town lawyer email but you can check with him and if you disagree, please respond. I am not interested in reading issues that effect our property on next-door or any social media way of communications. I have a life and better things to do. I have an email and address where I can be notified. 104 Hill Top Drive, Los Gatos, 95032

To address your email, Last time, I got different emails from Town people responding to my email and of course not copying others. Some did not even know what you (Park people) are doing. In my humble opinion, all of you need to be on the same page and communicate on what you are doing and notify the appropriate neighborhood.

This a greenbelt and the town need to clean it so it is not a fire hazard. It is a fire hazard as nothing is kept up. More than glad to volunteer in this effort. We do not need survey to do so. We do not want anything done to the park. Period end of the story. This has sent the entire neighborhood into stress on irrelevant issues such as this. Since Matt Ober is in your organization, you need to have a discussion with him. He should be careful on his opinion or advise on social media as he runs the show here. Seems he is new and I do not think he owns a house, pay property taxes or support the schools in Los Gatos but he is full of opinion on play station on Worcester Loop area. I am not disrespecting him but once you cut those checks, have to maintain your home, you have a better appreciation of home ownership. I am not familiar with how the town is ran but never in million years expected someone on Parks community disrespect wildlife, greenbelt and speak without knowledge.

Just an FYI, when we purchased the property 30 years ago and Terry Rinehart and her husband were already living in the neighborhood, we were all told, Worcester is greenbelt, wildlife habitat and nothing will ever be done there and will be kept as such.

Warmest Wishes,

Nazzi Shishido

On May 7, 2019, at 2:11 PM, Matt Morley <[MMorley@losgatosca.gov](mailto:MMorley@losgatosca.gov)> wrote:

Hi Nazzi

I am sorry you were surprised by your conversation at the grocery store, but also a little confused as to why that may be. Nothing has changed from my last conversation with

you and the summary I provided on April 29 (below). The survey I mentioned in that previous email is available to all interested parties at this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/D222J82> The survey was built to gather broad input to support the Parks Commission as they meet at the park. Please feel free to share it with all who would like to provide input.

I have also attached the Next Door post so you can see the tone of the post. I purposefully kept that light and informative. To my knowledge there has been little activity on Next Door since that time.

Should you have ongoing interest or concern, please give me a call. In my experience a conversation can help us wade through the mis-information you may be receiving.

Thank you,

Matt

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**From:** Nazi Shishido <[homes@nazzishishido.com](mailto:homes@nazzishishido.com)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, May 7, 2019 1:29 PM

**To:** Matt Morley <[MMorley@losgatosca.gov](mailto:MMorley@losgatosca.gov)>

**Cc:** Marcia Jensen <[MJensen@losgatosca.gov](mailto:MJensen@losgatosca.gov)>; Rob Rennie <[RRennie@losgatosca.gov](mailto:RRennie@losgatosca.gov)>; Marico Sayoc <[MSayoc@losgatosca.gov](mailto:MSayoc@losgatosca.gov)>; BSpector <[BSpector@losgatosca.gov](mailto:BSpector@losgatosca.gov)>; Matt Morley <[MMorley@losgatosca.gov](mailto:MMorley@losgatosca.gov)>; Hiroshi Shishido <[hshishido@alumni.gsb.stanford.edu](mailto:hshishido@alumni.gsb.stanford.edu)>; Terry & Bob Rinehart <[rwrinehart@comcast.net](mailto:rwrinehart@comcast.net)>; Steven Leonardis <[SLeonardis@losgatosca.gov](mailto:SLeonardis@losgatosca.gov)>; Judy McCool <[judy\\_mccool@comcast.net](mailto:judy_mccool@comcast.net)>; Laurel Prevetti <[LPrevetti@losgatosca.gov](mailto:LPrevetti@losgatosca.gov)>

**Subject:** Re: Worcester Park (Urgent)

Hi Matt,

I was stopped at Leonardis grocery store today and was told a survey has gone out from you asking people what they want to do with Worcester Park?? Since when is Worcester park is being up for a vote? This is unacceptable. Do we need to come after the town of Los Gatos for being so out of control? WHO IS MATT OBER???? WE ARE TOLD he is the one that is fueling the fire and has requested a plan to be submitted? This survey should not have gone out. Please copy everyone on your response as I am starting to get a feeling that the people in town leadership are not talking to each other. The park need to be left alone. It is a greenbelt and wildlife. If the town is starting to stir up something based on one individual and Matt Ober is fueling this, we the neighborhood need to get prepared so we can fight back. The Park and services need to clean up the park since it can be a fire hazard. We see you on the 3rd. Below email per our conversation has a date error. It is June 3rd NOT 6th. I have asked Steve Leonardis to attend this meeting. The entire neighborhood is so furious. My address is 104 Hill Top Drive, Los Gatos 95032 and please send a copy of survey via email or mail to us. Today I told my husband I am apologize for pulling you out of Palo Alto to LG. 29



years ago and I wish we have never moved here. The traffic, beach traffic, the town and how right and left does not talk. The fact that a greenbelt that has been there for 41 years is now up for grab. No respect for wildlife, kids, traffic in a residential one lane area is BEYOND CRAZY. I am in a rush to an appointment and had to get this email out and spoke to Steve L.

Steve,....Find out who this Matt Ober is and I am told he put on next-door that they should submit plans and he will help.

**Warmest Wishes,**

**Nazzi Shishido**

On Apr 29, 2019, at 2:14 PM, Matt Morley <[MMorley@losgatosca.gov](mailto:MMorley@losgatosca.gov)> wrote:

Ms. Shishido

Thank you for following up on our phone conversation of last week on this topic. I'll review the conversation here and we will provide it to the Town Council in our regular updated format under separate cover.

Town staff and the Parks Commission received a number of inquiries about the potential for installing a play area at Worcester Park. The extent of discussion at the Commission's February meeting was simply to review the communications and no action was taken. In its advisory role to the Council, the Parks Commission expressed interest in hearing about the concept and understanding all perspectives. Having this kind of information will help the Commission to fulfill their advisory role. Note that the Parks Commission is not the deciding body for this topic, that responsibility rests with the Town Council. There is no project in the budget for this park, outside of our normal maintenance activities.

The Parks Commission regularly holds their summer meetings at rotating parks, so it made sense for them to hold their next meeting on June 6 at Worcester. The meeting starts at 6pm and of course all are welcome to come speak to the Commission. I understand from the feedback I have received following my post on Next Door, that there is great interest in this topic. We will also publicize the meeting with residents with Next Door and other social media and provide a survey for those who cannot make the meeting, or wish to provide feedback in a different way, to do so.

I look forward to seeing you on June 6.

<image002.jpg> **Matt Morley • Director**  
Parks and Public Works • 41 Miles Ave, Los Gatos CA 95030  
Ph: 408.399.5774  
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**From:** Nazzi Shishido <[homes@nazzishishido.com](mailto:homes@nazzishishido.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 29, 2019 12:49 PM  
**To:** Steven Leonardis <[SLeonardis@losgatosca.gov](mailto:SLeonardis@losgatosca.gov)>  
**Cc:** Marcia Jensen <[MJensen@losgatosca.gov](mailto:MJensen@losgatosca.gov)>; Rob Rennie  
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<[hshishido@alumni.gsb.stanford.edu](mailto:hshishido@alumni.gsb.stanford.edu)>  
**Subject:** Worcester Park

Dear Steve and town of LG leadership,

Someone on Next-door has proposed to turn Worcester Park into a park for kids with swing sets. As outrageous as this might sound, we have seen some outrageous things happen. The neighborhood is beyond upset. I do not read next-door but saw this 6 months ago and we all thought it has gone away but it is coming back. Today, I got stopped by 5 people on LG trail and everyone is getting so annoyed at this. I thank you Matt Morely and we all are planning to meet you on June 3rd.

One of the reasons, I am sending you this email is because we have heard, the Worcester park topic was on the town agenda and was discussed. None of the neighbors were aware of this. We need to be notified and please advise us as to what need to be done. My husband and I own 128 Worcester Loop since 1989 and it is across from Worcester Park. 20 plus years, I worked with Henry and the parks and services and planted at least 10 Redwood trees. We need to have the town alerts us if you are discussing a topic that effect us.

Worcester Loop is a one way road, Worcester park is really not a park but greenbelt, it has wild life, there are ton of children in the street, it is a safety issue, traffic issue and we will not allow the greenbelt to turn into a park. There are wildlife organization that will also get involved. The person that initiated this in a nice way intimidating by saying an anonymous person is donating money to this cause and she is a lawyer for Intel. The next door discussion has turned so ugly as everyone is upset.

I am asking you as the mayor and the town leadership to notify us about this in the future and once and for all, this need to be a closed topic. We do not need another park with swing set in middle of a neighborhood. There are plenty of parks.

Warmest Wishes,

Nazzi Shishido  
C: 408.489.5994

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**From:** [Nazzi Shishido](#)  
**To:** [Marico Sayoc](#)  
**Cc:** [Laurel Prevetti](#); [Matt Morley](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Worcester Park  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 30, 2019 8:11:20 AM

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Thank you Marico,....Matt did respond and thank you Matt. The key is that we the neighborhood need to be notified via mail or email if there are matters that effecting us as we do not consider next door the mode of communication. One of the very upset neighbors mentioned, she found out about this on a Sunday at the LG farmers market. She saw a booth for Parks and services with a sign saying please attend our next door meeting for Worcester park!!!! I am just repeating and I was surprised.

Also we do want to make sure this issue is a closed issues and does not get brought up again as it is once again a greenbelt, designated not to build, wildlife and a one way street with no parking. We can not be wasting our time and tax payer's money on some topic that makes no sense. The only way this is done is to explain what this place is and what can not be done to it.

Warmest Wishes,

Nazzi Shishido  
C: 408.489.5994

On Apr 29, 2019, at 9:10 PM, Marico Sayoc <[MSayoc@losgatosca.gov](mailto:MSayoc@losgatosca.gov)> wrote:

Hi Nazzi -

Thanks for reaching out to the Town Council about Worchester Park and sharing what you have heard on Next Door. I am copying Matt and Laurel so they may respond appropriately on behalf of the Town. I'm not aware of any proposed changes but they can respond in case this has been discussed by the Parks Commission.

Thanks

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Marico Sayoc

Council Member, Town of Los Gatos

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Warmest Wishes,

Nazzi Shishido  
C: 408.489.5994

**From:** [Matt Morley](#)  
**To:** [Babette Ito](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Worcester Loop Park -  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:18:00 AM

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Thank you for your email Babette.

**From:** Babette Ito <babetteito@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 22, 2019 7:38 PM  
**To:** Matt Morley <MMorley@losgatosca.gov>  
**Subject:** Worcester Loop Park -

HI Matt - Hope you are well. We live across street from the park on Worcester Loop. We feel strongly the area does not have the capacity or set up for any public areas. The loop is a narrow, one way street with no parking. People who already come to the park either drive the opposite way or too fast or both, which is dangerous for the residents. Any other parking areas, on Hollywood or STacia are also too narrow for safe parking. The park is also a fire hazard and as it is, kids are up there starting fires and it needs to be cleared out.

Finally, the animals need a green belt to roam. Pls don't allow anyone to make these decisions for our neighborhood. We do not need a playground or any other development to endanger the residents and those who would come.

Thank you

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Pls notice I've changed my email to [Babetteito@gmail.com](mailto:Babetteito@gmail.com)

**From:** [Michael@urbantreemanagement.com](mailto:Michael@urbantreemanagement.com)  
**To:** [Matt Morley](#)  
**Subject:** Worcester Park  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 4:08:35 PM

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Dear Matt Morley,

Thanks for taking this email. As a resident of the loop I am not interested in any kids play equipment being installed in the Park. Rather, I would love to see the park mowed and made fire-safe. There are a lot of kids that come here to smoke and the whole park is ready to go up in flames. Thank you.

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**From:** [hiroshi shishido](#)  
**To:** [Matt Morley](#)  
**Cc:** [Hiroshi Shishido GSB](#); [Nazzi Shishido](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Worcester Park  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 2:48:00 PM

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Thank you Matt. Totally not acceptable. Worcester Park area cannot accommodate any increase in traffic or parking. It will be a safety hazard and pure nightmare for the residences near the park. Also, it is suppose to be a wildlife preserve. If people want playgrounds, there are other parks near by with facilities to accommodate the additional cars and people. Will be at the meeting to voice my concerns.

Carpe diem

Hiroshi Shishido

Shishido Ventures

On Apr 22, 2019, at 2:41 PM, Nazzi Shishido <[homes@nazzishishido.com](mailto:homes@nazzishishido.com)> wrote:

Dear Matt,

Thank you for taking my call. We own 128 Worcester park since 1989. We moved out in 2005 and it has been a rental. 20plus years, I worked with the parks and services and we planted those beautiful redwoods and cleaned up the park. This idea to touch the park is nonsense. It is green belt and a nature park. There are wildlife there. There is no parking to support this nonsense. We have plenty of parks. That street is a loop and one way. It is not just Worcester that will be effected but the entire neighborhood. I do not want to see any changes to the park and will fight it. The neighborhood is pretty upset with this proposal and we will see you on Monday June 3rd at 6pm.

Warmest Wishes,

Nazzi Shishido  
C: 408.489.5994

**From:** [Matt Morley](#)  
**To:** [Mary Patterson](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Worcester Park  
**Date:** Friday, April 19, 2019 7:13:00 AM

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Mary

Thank you for your email. There has been some discussion in the community on this topic but the Town currently has no project on the books. The Parks Commission will discuss the communities interest at their next meeting on June 3 at 6 pm at the park.

Matt Morley • Director  
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-----Original Message-----

From: Mary Patterson <[mmmpmitzi@comcast.net](mailto:mmmpmitzi@comcast.net)>  
Sent: Thursday, April 18, 2019 10:32 PM  
To: Matt Morley <[MMorley@losgatosca.gov](mailto:MMorley@losgatosca.gov)>  
Subject: Worcester Park

Dear Matt,

I'm writing to request that no play equipment be placed in Worcester Park. Our neighborhood is already impacted with Los Gatos Blvd., Van Meter, Fisher and Hillbrook traffic. We don't need more. There are plenty of play areas near by. The park also has many wild animals roaming through it, which could be endangered and could be hazardous to children. PLEASE vote this idea down and save our sanity!!

Thank you,  
Mary Patterson  
Vista Del Campo

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Steve Regan  
**To:** [alicia.frostick@gmail.com](mailto:alicia.frostick@gmail.com)  
**Cc:** Steve Souza; Jerett Blaskey; Patrick Fredrick  
**Subject:** RE: Worcester Park  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 27, 2018 11:29:52 AM

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Hello Alicia,

Thank you for contacting the Parks and Public Works Department regarding improvements to Worcester Park. The 11-acre park is dedicated as natural woodlands with vegetation and paved trails with several benches throughout. Any suggested design change of the overall character of the park would require a larger discussion. Over the next year and a half, the Town will be updating its General Plan. This is a perfect opportunity to state your suggestions for the park or any other town facility. The link to the general plan update is [www.losgatos2040.com](http://www.losgatos2040.com).

With regards to the cleanliness of the park, I'll ask the maintenance operations group to spend some additional time cleaning up the area. We will have the Parks Service Officers increase patrol frequencies at the location to help reduce any misconduct that may be occurring during the day. If you see any activity that is concerning, please contact the Los Gatos Monte Sereno Police at (408) 354-8600 or dial 911.

All the best,

Steve

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**From:** Town PPW  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 27, 2018 8:00 AM  
**To:** Steve Regan <[sregan@losgatosca.gov](mailto:sregan@losgatosca.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: Worcester Park

For your review and response.

Thank you~

**From:** Alicia Shah <[alicia.frostick@gmail.com](mailto:alicia.frostick@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 27, 2018 7:27 AM  
**To:** Town PPW <[ppw@losgatosca.gov](mailto:ppw@losgatosca.gov)>  
**Subject:** Worcester Park

I would like to inquire about the most effective way to ask the city to improve Worcester Park. Certainly, I have specific improvements I would like to see made (a play area for kids with a structure, open space for free play, and a sand pit). And I have specific concerns that I've found everything from beer bottles and condoms to mountain lions in the park. But I'm welcome to compromise with my neighbors and city needs and I'm most excited to see this park get used.

I'm happy to organize neighbors, if this is helpful. I've heard the police may be patrolling the park for high school misbehavior so I could try to gather info on that as well. I'm also happy to use Nextdoor or other tools to rally groups. I'm just at this stage trying to sort out the best way to raise this issue to the City.